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Honorable James Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation P.O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

RE:

Camerina 1 Sand Reservoir C North Parcperdue Field

Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of NEXEN PETROLEUM U.S.A. INC. for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matter relating to the above captioned Sand and Reservoir in the North Parcperdue Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana:

- To redefine the Camerina 1 Sand in Reservoir C in the North Parcperdue Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered in the measured depth interval 15657' to 15865' in the Nexen Petroleum U.S.A. Inc. - Broussard No. 1 Well, located in Section 54, Township 11 South, Range 4 East, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.
- Except to the extend here contrary, to extend all pertinent provisions of Office of 2. Conservation Order 902-A-6, effective July 28, 1982.
 - To consider any other matters which may be pertinent to this application. 3.

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The Camerina 1 Sand, Reservoir C in the North Parcperdue Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana was defined in Order 902-A-4, effective June 23, 1981. Redefinition, as stated above in Item No. 1, is sought.

All pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Lafayette, LA 70508; Phone (337) 232-5004.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, a pre-application conference in this matter was noticed on January 23, 2003 and was sent on that date to the Commissioner, with a copy to the District Manager and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party. Applicant did not timely receive notice of a desire to confer from any party receiving the pre-application notice, and so the pre-application conference was not held.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the Camerina 1 Sand, RC SUA together with a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedures, the list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting a copy. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check, on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

TAYLOR, PORTER, BROOKS & PHILLIPS, L.L.P.

J. Clayton Johnson

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cc: Lafayette District Office of Conservation
All Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties

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